



Request for City Council Committee Action

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To Public Safety and Regulatory Services Committee
Referral to Ways and Means Committee

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Approved by Deputy Chief Schultz, Police Department_____

Subject Request for Authority to Amend the Violence Against Women Act Grant Award from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety To Extend the Grant Period

Presenters in Committee Lt. Isaac DeLugo, MPD Family Violence Unit

Recommendation

The Police Department respectfully requests that the proper city officials be authorized to execute the grant award amendment from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety – Office of Crime Victim Services. The amendment extends the original grant period to permit time to expend the full \$66,482 of the grant award previously accepted.

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

☒ No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves

☐ Other financial impact (Explain):

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety - Office of Crime Victim Services awarded the City of Minneapolis \$66,482 in grant funds to enhance the investigation and prosecution of domestic violence crimes. Council accepted this award on August 10, 2001. The grant contract amendment extends the contract period to February 15, 2003 to permit the city additional time to expend all of the grant funds. In the initial grant award, \$18,000 was awarded to the Police Department for law enforcement efforts and \$48,482 to the City Attorney's Office for prosecution efforts. The main focus of the awarded grant program is to improve evidence collection, prosecution case review, and victim assistance through new evidence-gathering techniques and enhanced communication.